

**TOWN OF CUSHING
SELECTMEN MEETING
APRIL 28, 2008
CUSHING COMMUNITY CENTER**

Selectmen Present: Alton Grover, Peter Haviland, Robert Stackpole, and Robert Worthing.

Staff Present: Town Clerk Lisa Young

Board approved Warrant #19, #20 & #21

The meeting was called to order at 6:15 PM. Peter Haviland motioned, Robert Worthing seconded, to approve the April 14, 2008 minutes as written. The motion passed.

Board Approved 4-0-0

Changes to the Agenda

No Changes

Unfinished Business

Citizen Petition- Selectman Robert Worthing suggested to the Board that the citizen petition in regard to cell towers, which they had received at the March 24, 2008 Selectmen's Meeting and a revised copy at the April 14, 2008 meeting, although they can not act upon it due to it was not specific about a particular ordinance it certainly gives the Board an indication that there is interest in the cell tower issue, and he recommended that the Board proceed with a public hearing on the ordinance and place it on the June 10th ballot. Robert Worthing motioned, Peter Haviland seconded, to schedule a public hearing on May 12, 2008 to hear public comment on the Town of Cushing Cell Tower Ordinance and to present it to the voters at the June 10, 2008 Primary Election. The motion passed.

Board Approved 3-1-0 Robert Stackpole against

Selectman Robert Stackpole pointed out that the reason he voted against presenting the Cell Tower Ordinance to the people was because at the last meeting the Board enacted a policy that stated that ordinances would be presented to voters at the General Election held in November. Selectman Robert Worthing understood his decision but noted that the Cell Tower Ordinance had been presented to the Selectmen prior to enacting the policy, and that the policy does give the Selectmen the authority to present ordinances at other times if they feel it is appropriate.

Bylaws/Ordinances List Ordinance Committee- Eric Anderson, Chairman of the Ordinance Committee, went over changes the Committee would like to make to their by-

laws. He will bring in a clean copy at the next Selectmen's Meeting to have the Board to approve.

New Business

Beautification of the Grounds, Committee- Sandra Blanchard, representing the Beautification of the Grounds Committee, updated the Board to their plans for this spring. She made a request to remove the linked fence, remove the cedar trees, and asked if there were any funds that they could use to purchase compost. Resident Joseph Carr volunteered to provide the compost. Chairman Alton Grover noted that the Board had given the ok to remove the fence previously and added that the Board had voted against removing the cedar trees at a previous meeting. He felt that any determination of removing them would have to wait until Selectman Randy Robbins was present due to his previous opposition.

Rescue Squad By-laws- Joseph Carr, representing the Rescue Squad, had previously given copies of the By-Laws of the Cushing Rescue Squad for the Board to review for tonight's meeting. He asked if the Board had any questions or concerns, and if not, he sought approval of the By-Laws. Robert Stackpole motioned, Peter Haviland seconded, to approve the revisions made to the Cushing Rescue Squad By-Laws.

Emergency Management Operations Plan- The Board of Selectmen signed and approved the Cushing Maine Emergency Operations Plan.

Animal Care Facility Agreement- The Board will wait until next meeting to make a decision on the Animal Care Facility Agreement.

Audit Report Management's discussion Analysis- The Board will compare numbers with the draft copy of the Audit Report and discuss at the next Selectmen's Meeting.

Comments from Citizens-

Resident, David Cobey, inquired to the status of the Flood Insurance Program. Chairman Alton Grover stated that Arthur Kiskila, and Daniel Remian are in the process of working on the paper work, but that it is a slow process due to having to determine how many homes are in the Flood Plain since the last time Cushing was part of the Flood Insurance Program which was in the 1990's. New maps should be arriving soon which will help determine this.

Chairman Alton Grover motioned, Peter Haviland seconded, to enter into Executive Session Pursuant to 1 M.R.S.A. § 405(6) (A) to discuss Personnel Matters at 7:28pm. The motion passed.

Board Approved 4-0-0

Peter Haviland motioned, Robert Worthing seconded, to return to the regular scheduled meeting at 8:28pm. The motion passed.

Board Approved 4-0-0

Peter Haviland motioned, Robert Worthing seconded, to appoint Mark Ames member of the Ordinance Committee. The motion passed.

Board Approved 4-0-0

Peter Haviland motioned, Robert Worthing seconded, to adjourn at 8:31pm. The motion passed.

Board Approved 4-0-0

Respectfully submitted,
Lisa Young
Recording Secretary
Town Clerk